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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUGJECT: Briefing on CIA for Air Force Legislative Liaison

1. During my recent 15-day active duty tour with the Directorate of Legislative Liaison in Air Force, it was suggested by various officers that they would benefit from a briefing on the CIA mission, function and organization. Arrangements were then made, with General Cabell's approval, and the briefing occurred on 26 May 1959. Present from the Air Force were:


Major Joseph J. Smyth  
Colonel Eugene E. Myers  
Colonel Jack A. Sims  
Colonel Carl M. Nelson  
Colonel Edward M. Lightfoot  
Lt. Colonel James M. McGary, Jr.  
Major Eric Linhof

Present from CIA were:

Lyman B. Kirkpatrick  
Lawrence R. Houston  
John S. Warner

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2. General Cabell welcomed the officers here and thanked them for past assistance to the Legislative Counsel of CIA. After a few remarks General Cabell left. Messrs. Kirkpatrick, Houston and Warner conducted the briefing and  were also present.

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3. The briefing consisted of a short history of the organization and its origin and then, utilizing the basic organization chart, the units of the Agency were identified and discussed, developing the missions and functions

of the Agency. In addition, the National Estimates processing chart was utilized to explain the process and our relationship with other intelligence components. The briefing lasted for approximately two hours and there was only a short period for questions.

4. A strong point was made by a number of the officers present that a briefing of this type would be most beneficial in the various Service schools such as the Air War College, the Armed Forces Staff College in Norfolk, Industrial College of Armed Forces, and the National War College. The officers present seemed to gain a great deal from the briefing and there were many expressions to this effect which I believe were completely sincere.

  
JOHN S. WARNER  
Legislative Counsel

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MEMORANDUM FOR: THE DIRECTOR *WJW*

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Attached is a memorandum which records a briefing by CIA officials of a group of officers from the Directorate of Legislative Liaison of the Air Force. This had been requested by the Air Force and I believe it was most useful in educating the officers and in further cementing our most profitable relationship.

Noted by DCI  
28 May 59

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Legislative Counsel  
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